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Oadby Urban District Council

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year 1967

Incorporating a report on
the sanitary circumstances
of the District prepared
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Miss P.J. Small

Area in acres 2,444	Number of houses occupied 5,242
Rateable value at April 1st 1967 £783,299	Additional occupied houses combined with shops 29
Sum represented by penny rate £3,249	Number of houses owned by the Council 410
Population (mid 1967) 16,760	

BIRTHS

Live Births Legitimate

Male	132
Female	131
Total	263

Illegitimate

Male	8
Female	6
Total	14

Total Live Births

Male	140
Female	137
Total	277

Stillbirths

Male	Nil
Female	3
Total	3

Birth rate per 1,000 estimated population 16.5

DEATHS

Deaths All Causes

Male	56
Female	60
Total	116

Deaths from puerperal causes ..... Nil

Deaths of infants under one week of age

Male	Nil
Female	1
Total	1

Death rate per 1,000 estimated population ... 6.9

Infant mortality per 1,000 live births 4.0

Causes of Deaths

Year ending 31st December, 1967

Registrar General's Classification	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. Tuberculosis, Respiratory	-	-	-
2. Tuberculosis, other	-	-	-
3. Syphilitic disease	-	-	-
4. Diphtheria	-	-	-
5. Whooping Cough	-	-	-
6. Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-
8. Measles	-	-	-
9. Other infective and parasitic disease	-	-	-
10. Malignant neoplasm, stomach	1	2	3
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung bronchus	1	1	2
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	4	4
13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	1	1
14. Malignant neoplasms, lymphatic and other	6	5	11
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia	-	-	-
16. Diabetes	-	-	-
17. Vascular lesions of the nervous system	6	18	24
18. Coronary disease, angina	18	10	28
19. Hypertension with heart disease	-	-	-
20. Other heart disease	8	5	13
21. Other circulatory disease	1	4	5
22. Influenza	-	-	-
23. Pneumonia	4	2	6
24. Bronchitis	4	-	4
25. Other diseases of the respiratory system	-	-	-
26. Ulcer of stomach or duodenum	-	-	-
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	1	-	1
28. Nephritis and nephrosis	1	1	2
29. Hyperplasia of the prostate	-	-	-
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-
31. Congenital malformations	-	-	-
32. Other defined and ill defined diseases	3	6	9
33. Motor vehicle accidents	2	-	2
34. All other accidents	-	1	1
35. Suicide	-	-	-
36. Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-
TOTAL	56	60	166

INFECTIOUS DISEASE

TUBERCULOSIS

There were no deaths from this disease during 1967. No new cases were notified but two individuals suffering from this disease came to live in Oadby.

OTHER NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

The following cases were notified :-

Measles	154
Whooping cough	6
Puerperal pyrexia	1

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS

No formal action was necessary during the year.

Several elderly persons were reported as in need of care, and informal measures were needed in one case to secure admission to hospital.

A REPORT ON THE SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE OADBY URBAN DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR 1967

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1. WATER SUPPLY

The water supplied to the district from Leicester Corporation sources has been adequate and satisfactory.

All houses in the district have a mains supply of water within the premises.

2. SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The sewage disposal works continued to present problems and only occasionally produced an effluent within Royal Commission limits. Experiments with different methods of sludge conditioning have gone some way towards controlling smell.

3. CESSPOOLS AND CLOSETS

There are two pail closets and sixteen cesspools within the district. 5,352 water closets serve all other houses.

4. REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

The refuse collection fleet comprises two Shelvoke & Drewry fore and aft tippers, two Shelvoke & Drewry Pakamatic continuous loaders, one open Karrier for special collections and a Weatherill power shovel for tip control

A weekly collection service is maintained.

Trade refuse is also collected weekly and all bins after the first charged at 1/- each. More frequent collections can be arranged and are charged for on a time and labour cost basis. The use of bulk bins of $1\frac{1}{4}$ cubic yard capacity is encouraged.

Tipping space is severely limited and discussions are in progress with adjacent authorities with a view to setting up a jointly operated incineration plant.

5. SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE DISTRICT

968 Complaints were received

958 Premises were involved

INSPECTIONS MADE

	Number of Inspections
Animal Keeping	2
Bakehouses	14
Dairies	4
Drainage Works	39
Dwelling-houses (all purposes)	2,968
Infectious Disease Inquiries	24
Food Poisoning Inquiries	4
Food Premises	304
Offensive Trades	NIL
Refuse Collection and Disposal	1,955
Rodent Control	30

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INSPECTIONS MADE

	Number of Inspections
Schools	5
Shops and Offices	249
Meat Inspection	786
Smoke Control	15
Verminous & Dirty Premises	3
Caravans, Etc.	2
Water Supplies	Nil
Factories & Workplaces	32
Other Inspections	470
TOTAL	6,906

NOTICES

Public Health Acts.

Notices outstanding on January 1st	5
Notices issued during the year	24
Notices complied with during the year	22
Number outstanding on December 31st	7

REGULATED BUILDINGS

There are no regulated buildings in the area.

VERMINOUS PREMISES

One house was found to be infested and appropriate remedial action was taken.

No Council property was involved.

6. OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Class of premises	Number registered	Number of inspections	Accidents reported	Contraventions		
				Found	Remedied	Outstanding 31. 12. 67
Offices	25	25	Nil	6	2	5
Retail Shops	99	98	1	24	26	6
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	20	20	1	2	3	Nil
Catering estbs. open to the public, canteens	7	7	Nil	2	2	Nil
Fuel Storage depots	1	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	3
TOTALS	152	151	2	34	33	14

7. PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

One licence was issued during the year, and the premises were inspected on three occasions and found to be satisfactory.

8. ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

One person in the area is licenced and two inspections were made of the premises.

9. FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960 : FOOD & DRUGS ACT, 1955

Number of premises inspected	201
Number of inspections made	304
Informal notices served	18
Notices complied with	15
Notices outstanding on 31st December	3

ICE CREAM

Twenty eight premises were registered for retail sale of ice cream. Eighteen samples were taken, fifteen proving to be Grade I.

10. MILK AND DAIRIES (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1959

Number of distributors registered ...	9
Inspections carried out	13

No milk sampling took place.

11. MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

There are two slaughterhouses in the area which are licenced and comply with the standards required by the Slaughterhouse (Hygiene) and Slaughter of Animals (Prevention of Cruelty) Regulations, 1958.

All 15,400 animals killed were inspected with the following results :-

Carcases Inspected and Condemned

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Goats
Number killed	1,621	19	363	13,343	54	-
Number inspected	1,621	19	363	13,343	54	-
All Diseases except Tuberculosis Whole carcases condemned	4	4	16	68	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	224	3	3	188	2	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with diseases other than tuberculosis	14.06	36.83	5.23	1.91	3.7	-

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Carcases Inspected and Condemned

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Goats
Tuberculosis only						
Whole carcase condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcase of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticercosis						
Carcase of which some part or organ was condemned	3	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	3	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

12. NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

Advice was given to enable remedial action to be taken in one case of complaint.

13. SWIMMING BATHS

Twenty inspections were carried out. Thirty two samples of water were taken from the swimming pool, all of which were satisfactory.

14. RODENT CONTROL

A full time rodent operator is employed. 210 infestations necessitated 30 visits by your public health inspectors and 776 by your rodent operator.

15. HOUSING

Inspections of Dwelling Houses

Number of houses inspected 79
Number of inspections made 152
No houses were found unfit for habitation.
Five unfit houses were rendered fit by their owners after informal action.

Improvement Grants

No applications were received for discretionary grants.

Applications for standard grants were dealt with as follows :-

Applications from owner/occupiers 3
Applications from owners of rented property 4
Applications approved 5
Properties improved during 1967 4

New Houses

Houses completed during 1967:

Local Authority	Nil
Private Enterprise	261

Houses in course of construction at 31st December:

Local Authority	Nil
Private Enterprise	231

Total post-war construction

Local Authority	364
Private Enterprise	3540

Local Authority Housing List

Applications received during 1967	30
Total applicants listed	84

16. FACTORIES

There are 96 factories registered.

Number of inspections carried out	1
Number of defects found	1
Number of notices served	Nil

There are 26 outworkers registered.

17. CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

No major problem was encountered during 1967.

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